## **OPINION 2319** (Case 3503)

# Papilio hesperus Westwood, 1843 (Insecta, Lepidoptera, Papilionidae): conserved by suppression of Papilio hesperus Fabricius, 1793 (NYMPHALIDAE)

**Abstract.** The Commission has conserved the name *Papilio hesperus* Westwood, 1843 by suppression of *Papilio hesperus* Fabricius, 1793. Coincidentally this also conserves the name *Harma chalcis* C. & R. Felder, 1860, which is in widespread use in much of Africa in the combination *Euryphura chalcis*.

**Keywords.** Nomenclature; taxonomy; Insecta; Lepidoptera; NYMPHALIDAE; PAPILIONIDAE; *Papilio*; *Hamanumida*; *Hamanumida daedalus*; *meleagris*; *hesperus*; *phemius*; *chalcis*; Africa.

### Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power the Commission has suppressed the name *hesperus* Fabricius, 1793, as published in the binomen *Papilio hesperus*, for the purposes of both the Principle of Priority and the Principle of Homonymy.
- (2) The name hesperus Westwood, 1843, as published in the binomen Papilio hesperus, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *hesperus* Fabricius, 1793, as published in the binomen *Papilio hesperus* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

#### History of Case 3503

An application to conserve the name *Papilio hesperus* Westwood, 1843 (Lepidoptera, PAPILIONIDAE) for a well-known species of butterfly by suppression of *Papilio hesperus* Fabricius, 1793, was received from Torben B. Larsen (*Frederiksberg C, Denmark*), Masaya Yago (*The University Museum, The University of Tokyo, Japan*), R.I. Vane-Wright (*Natural History Museum, London and Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology, University of Kent, Canterbury, U.K.*), Mark Williams (*Onderstepoort, South Africa*), Kyoichiro Ueda (*Kitakyushu Museum of Natural History and Human History, Kitakyushu, Japan*) and Takashi Yokochi (*Aichi, Japan*) on 8 September 2009. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 68: 190–196 (2011). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments were received on this Case.

#### **Decision of the Commission**

On 1 December 2012 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 68: 194–195. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 2013 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 25: Alonso-Zarazaga, Ballerio, Bogutskaya, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Krell, Kojima, Kottelat, Kullander, Lamas, Lim,

Minelli, Pape, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol, Winston, Yanega, Zhang and Zhou.

Negative votes -0.

Pyle and Ng were on leave of absence.

No comments were received from Commissioners on the votes.

## Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

hesperus, Papilio, Westwood, 1843, Arcana Entomologica; or illustrations of new, rare, and interesting species, vol. 1. iv, W. Smith, London, p. 189.

hesperus, Papilio, Fabricius, 1793, Entomologia systematica emendata et aucta, 3(1): [vi], C.G. Proft, Copenhagen, p. 47.